

**PATENT APPLICATION**

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re application of

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For: METHOD DEVICE AND RECORDING MEDIUM WHERE PROGRAM IS RECORDED,  
FORDECIDING RESIDUAL TRAVEL LIFE AND END LIFE OF RUN-FLAT TIRE THAT  
CONTINUES TRAVELING IN RUN-FLAT CONDITION

**STATEMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(e)**

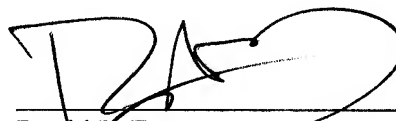
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Respectfully submitted,

  
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